

## Letter from the President – September Cookout



BHNA President, Laura Giffel

Every September, in lieu of our normal monthly neighborhood meeting, we celebrate the end of a wonderful summer with an annual pitch-in picnic. Due to the Labor Day holiday, this event falls on the second Monday of the month, which is September 9. We meet at our usual 6:30pm time at Hendricks Park on the corner of Orange Street and Madison Avenue. This event is a great way to meet your neighbors in a casual setting. We will have activities for kids and you are welcome to bring your four-legged friends!

The neighborhood will provide hot dogs and brats and we ask neighbors to bring side dishes and desserts to share. Help us let new neighbors know about this event and invite them to enjoy a meal with us!

## 3rd Annual Street Fest a Great Success

Bates-Hendricks hosted its third annual Street Fest on August 3 from 5:00pm to 9:00pm. This year was the largest event so far, with 50 vendors, three live music acts, a new family-friendly area, and an estimated 600 people in attendance.

Street Fest is a community-building event, but also serves as our main fundraiser to support our neighborhood schools and other initiatives, such as maintaining green spaces. We typically aim to raise \$1,200, but this year we raised over \$2,400! Thank you to everyone who donated school supplies to ensure students at James A. Garfield School 31 and SENSE Charter School have everything they need to have a great school year. We can't wait to see everyone next year!



## Little Free Libraries in Bates-Hendricks



Did you know Bates-Hendricks has two known Free Little Libraries? They are located outside of Lincoln Lane (Lincoln Street and East Street) and in Orange Park (Orange Street and East Street). These libraries are stocked with books for you to enjoy. Feel free to also drop off books that you would like to let others have!

Little Free Library is a nonprofit organization that inspires a love of reading, builds community, and sparks creativity by fostering neighborhood book exchanges around the world. There are more than 80,000 registered Little Free Libraries in all 50 states and over 90 countries. Through these libraries, millions of books are exchanged each year, profoundly

increasing access to books for readers of all ages and backgrounds. Little Free Library has received recognition from the Library of Congress, the National Book Foundation, Library Journal, the Women's National Book Association, and more.



## SENSE Welcomes Teachers & Students Back to School

SENSE Charter School students were welcomed back to school on Monday, July 22. Teachers had started back to work the week before in preparation for the new school year. The school's Back to School Family Night was held on July 18, where families could tour the school, meet their child's teacher, purchase low-cost school uniforms, check out the resources from multiple community partners, and sign up for before- and after-school programming. All those at SENSE are looking forward to a school year filled with learning and growth and cannot wait to make this school year the best yet!



# Bates-Hendricks Neighborhood Association

The Bates-Hendricks Neighborhood Association strives to improve the quality of life of those living in the neighborhood through efforts to assure safety, to maintain or improve the living environment, and to enhance the spirit of cooperation and neighborliness among all residents. We meet monthly on the first Monday of the month at the Immanuel United Church of Christ at the corner of East and Prospect at 6:30pm. Annual dues are \$10 for households and \$25 for businesses. Please mail dues to Matt Nunley, PO Box 342, Indianapolis, IN 46206. More information about the neighborhood can be found online at [bateshendricks.org](http://bateshendricks.org).



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## Upcoming

- Sep 9** Bates-Hendricks Neighborhood Association Meeting, 6:30pm, Hendricks Park, corner of Madison Avenue and Orange Street. The Association normally meets on the first Monday of every month, but will instead meet for our annual cookout on the second Monday. See page 1 for details.
- Sep 12, 26** Republic Recycling Pickup. More info at [www.republicservices.com/residents/all-in-one-recycling](http://www.republicservices.com/residents/all-in-one-recycling).
- Sep 17** Heavy Trash Pickup. More info at [www.indy.gov/eGov/City/DPW/Trash/Pages/TrashHome.aspx](http://www.indy.gov/eGov/City/DPW/Trash/Pages/TrashHome.aspx).
- Sep 18** Events Committee Meeting, 6:30pm, The Lincoln Center, 516 Lincoln Street. This committee works to plan neighborhood events, including Street Fest, the Chili Cook-off, holiday dinners, and more. Contact [Events@bateshendricks.org](mailto:Events@bateshendricks.org) for more information.
- Sep 21** Parent Monthly Meetup, 9:30am, The Lincoln Center, 516 Lincoln Street. Come join with other parents for a monthly meetup for parents or soon-to-be parents to meet and support each other.
- Sep 23** ROW – Pleasant Run Meeting, 6:30pm, 924 Shelby Street. This committee focuses on improving the waterway that runs through our neighborhood. For more info, contact [ROW@bateshendricks.org](mailto:ROW@bateshendricks.org).
- Sep 24** Land Use Committee Meeting, 6:30pm, Immanuel United Church, 402 Prospect Street (enter through glass doors on north side of building). This committee considers zoning, development, and property issues in Bates-Hendricks with the goal of ensuring peaceful co-existence among residents and businesses. Contact [LandUse@bateshendricks.org](mailto:LandUse@bateshendricks.org) for more information.

No Supper Club this month! The Supper Club gatherings are moving to a quarterly format on the second Tuesday of the month.